

WALK/CYCLE IN THE CITY

Te Ara Hīkoi, Paihikara Hoki o Oneroa me Ngā Wai Wehe Rua

Oneroa and City Rivers Trail















Cycling 10 mins



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The popular Oneroa Trail is a shared concrete/boardwalk path beside the picturesque Midway and Waikanae beaches, a short distance from the city centre. The trail leads on to the Ngā Wai Weherua Trail (City Rivers) around the Tūranganui and Taruheru rivers and under two city bridges to finish at the bottom of Derby Street. These trails allow walkers, cyclists, people on mobility scooters, and children on scooters and skateboards to share the magic and views of Tūranganui's ocean, river and port. The Oneroa Trail also links easily with the Alfred Cox Park Cycle & Walkway, an attractive, mainly offroad trail between Alfred Cox Skatepark and Midway Beach. Most of the route runs alongside the Waikanae Stream through a tree-lined park.

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The area is full of history from early Māori who travelled across the Pacific and settled in the area, through to the first meeting place of Europeans and Māori in Aotearoa New Zealand in October 1769. The **Tupapa Trail**, marked by 10 black, sail-shaped information boards, shares stories about the first people to navigate to and inhabit this place. A

tactile 3D location map is set within a grassy reserve 100m from the Waikanae Stream. Two statues feature on the beach side of Waikanae Stream – Anthony Stone's original bronze and resin figure of explorer Lieutenant James Cook and Frank Szirmay's bronze of Nicholas Young, known as Young Nick, who first sighted the land that became known as New Zealand from the HMS Endeavour. A vintage railway building opposite Waikanae Stream bridge is the home of Wa 165, which operates for tourists and locals in the summer. Tairāwhiti Museum is a short departure from the trail. Its building is visible from the trail between the Peel St Bridge and Grey St, and incorporates part of the Star of Canada that went aground off Kaiti Beach in 1912 and now holds the museum's maritime collection. Within the museum vicinity is a memorial exhibition to C Company, a Māori Battalion from World War 2, and Gisborne oldest existing house, Wyllie Cottage.

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